## **REMARKS**

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the International Application from which this application originates.

Claims 5, 7, 12 and 13 were amended to remove multiple dependent claims. Claims 1-15 were amended to remove the reference numerals. New claims 16-18 have been added.

A prompt official action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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